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1. The amendment of 03/31/2010 corrects obvious errors in the drawings. The text originally in the specification matches with these figures which were present in the priority documents. Further the subject matter of the figures they replace is found in other figure so there is no issue regarding the change deleting subject matter.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The proper terminal disclaimers of 03/31/2010 obviate the outstanding rejections.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Martin J. Angebrannndt whose telephone number is 571-272-1378. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kelly Cynthia can be reached on 571-272-1526. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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